



CALIFORNIA MARITIME SECURITY COUNCIL

SUBCOMMITTEE INFORMATION SHEET

Executive Liaison Committee

Composed of three representatives, one from each AMSC Sector as decided by sector representatives. The Executive Liaison Committee acts in an advisory capacity between the CMSC's subcommittees and the Secretary of CalEMA.

I. Legislation, Grants, and Strategic Planning

This working group will review and monitor legislation and grants that impact the maritime sector, advocate for legislation that supports and furthers the State's maritime security efforts, and explore opportunities for leveraging funding. It will also focus on the enhancement and implementation of the existing statewide maritime security strategy, and determine future strategic planning objectives.

II. Information Sharing

This subcommittee will focus on strengthening information sharing capabilities between federal, state and local agencies and explore issues including expanding and developing fusion centers and an early warning system. This subcommittee will focus on improving statewide collaboration and information sharing to identify potential threats.

III. Training and Exercises

This subcommittee will work on enhancing existing port training and exercise programs to streamline coordination between participating agencies, identify gaps in training, and develop additional courses as needed. The committee will review after action reports and lessons learned to develop a best practices knowledge base.

IV. Science and Technology

This working group will focus on expanding and establishing partnerships with national laboratories, universities, research centers and federal, state and local agencies, to improve our maritime science and technology capabilities. It will also review threat detection and countermeasures technologies.

IV-A. Transportation Worker Identification Card (TWIC) Program

This working group will focus on liaising between the ports and DHS to institute the distribution of TWIC Card Readers.

V. Recovery and Business Continuity/Resumption

This subcommittee will provide recommendations on the establishment of business continuity and resumption plans to enhance the resiliency and adaptability of ports, and to aid in return to a state of normalcy. The subcommittee will work to enhance coordination and cooperation between private sector leaders and state and local governments by including representation from Business Executives for National Security (BENS) and leaders from 11 critical infrastructure sectors. This subcommittee will also include environmental protection agencies at state and local levels, as well as public affairs personnel to improve outreach and coordination efforts.

V-A. Supply Chain Security

This working group will focus on researching security measures for cargo beyond seaports, and will liaise with land-based cargo and goods movement partners.